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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: H. Tran 2600 MALLRO

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING DISRUPTIONS IN SET-TOP TERMINAL FUNCTION DUE TO THE DOWNLOAD OF UPDATED PROGRAMMING OR DATA TO THE SET-TOP TERMINAL

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated August 16, 2000 (Paper No. 4), please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claims 1, 18, 24 and 36 as set forth in the pages attached to this Amendment in clean form. Additionally, in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(ii), amended claims 1, 18, 24 and 36 are set forth in a marked-up version in the pages attached to this Amendment.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Claims 1-42 are currently pending and stand rejected by the Examiner. Applicants have amended claims 1, 18, 24 and 36. No new matter has been added. The

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